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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 3736

HEINER STEGMANN

Examiner: M. Astorino

Serial No.: 10/019,446

Filed: December 31, 2001

For: METHOD FOR ADJUSTING OR CONTROLLING THE

DIET AND/OR A PERSON'S CONSUMPTION

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Petition is herein made under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 for an extension of time for one month for response to the Office action of March 19, 2004.

The appropriate fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 is paid herewith by credit card (Form PTO-2038). Any fees not accepted by the credit card amount shown on the Form PTO-2038 may be charged to Deposit Account 04-0753.

Respectfully submitted,

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